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ELIOT OVERDOES RAISING OF CANAL

Makes Drastic Order
Unannounced; Then
Asks Opinion

JUMPS 14.7 TO 16 FT.

Observation Shows Elevation
of 15 1-2 Feet
To Be About Right

Instructions to Locktender E. W. Simmons to increase the discharge from the lake through the Canal Point spillway enough to raise West Palm Beach canal to elevation 16 feet at this point were received Monday. Mr. Simmons said the instructions came by mail from F. C. Elliott of Tallahassee, chief engineer of Everglades drainage district. Instructions are usually sent through Assistant Engineer Scott of West Palm Beach. Mr. Simmons complied with the instructions Tuesday by taking out some of the needles in the canal.

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Telegraph Service In Effect At Sand Cut

Commercial messages can be filed and answers designated for delivery at "Sand Cut via Okeechobee." T. L. Beckwith, vice president of the railroad company, announced yesterday.

The express company already has an agent at Sand Cut.

Telegraph service will be extended to Pahokee as soon as the track has been extended to the station building three-quarters of a mile south of Canal Point.

GOOD PROGRESS ON DRAINAGE WORKS

Effective Equipment In
Palm Beach Canal
Promises Safety

Recurrence of the high water that prevailed in the Everglades last fall is not expected in the West Palm Beach territory this year, should the torrential rains of last year be repeated. If improvement of the West Palm Beach canal, now being pushed, are completed in time, this reassuring statement is made by the Palm Beach Post on Wednesday to Glenn V. Scott of West Palm Beach, assistant state engineer.

This implies that "the work" now under way in West Palm Beach canal had been done a year ago the flood that occurred in October of 1924 would have been avoided.

Equipment in West Palm Beach canal consists of the suction dredge Reclaimer, which is removing sand; a drill barge which dynamites rock in the bed of the canal, and the dredge Calosahatche which digs up the broken rock and other hard material.

Opinion of owners of land in the territory of West Palm Beach is that the canal should be deepened to 20-mile bend.

It has been asked by F. C. Elliott of Tallahassee, chief drainage engineer, for the letter asking opinion.

From Tallahassee under date of March 27, and was addressed to Homer Vivian of Pahokee, who is a member of the board of supervisors of Pahokee subdivision district.

The suction dredge Reclaimer is working east in the canal, leaving a fairly good channel behind it and, attacking bars in front of it. The drill barge is working steadily at points between the Reclaimer and the Calosahatche.

The Calosahatche was a five miles east of 20-mile bend Wednesday, shut down for repairs. It has put an immense amount of "spoils" in the canal between 20-mile bend and Loxahatche Farms, where in a distance of five miles the remnants of the old levee bed are being raised.

For Contractor Tom M. Bryan, Foreman William Gould is completing the remodeling of a Buve diving machine which was purchased from the Palm Beach Farms Company, which has a development on Okeechobee road canal five miles west of 20-mile bend.

This ditcher will start within a week making lateral ditches in Highlands Glades district and working toward Pahokee district. Another ditcher is working in the same area.

Assistant Engineer Scott is quoted by the Post as saying that additional pumps are being installed in the Gladesville drainage district, which embrace the Palm Beach Everglades farms, and that floating dredges are also to work there.

Vote For Supervisor But Result Unknown

Result is not yet known of the result of the balloting for members of the board of supervisors of Pahokee drainage district.

The annual meeting of owners of land in the district was held at Pahokee Tuesday, H. J. Chapman of West Palm Beach, president of the Okeechobee Corporation, was chosen chairman, and J. F. Waters secretary. Much of the acreage was represented by proxies and because time was needed to check the proxies before counting them, the counting was postponed.

PREPARED FOR BIG CROP OF TOMATOES

First Car of Season To
Go Out This Week
From "Sand Cut"

LEE HOUSE READY

Packers and Cane Material
Arriving For
Biggest Season

A car load of tomatoes, the first of the 1925 season, is expected to be loaded before the end of the week at Sand Cut station of the Florida East Coast railroad, three miles north of Canal Point. No one grows tomatoes in the territory of the West Palm Beach canal to make up a car, however, and the car will therefore be made up from several sources.

G. W. Sawyer, manager of W. E. Lee & Co., will manage the office at Sand Cut. His car will operate three houses on East Coast. They will have the red top house, the Homer Vivian house, and the sand cut house. Mr. Sawyer will operate at Pahokee as the Dependable Packing Company. Mr. Sawyer will have a house at Sand Cut, and a house at Sand Cut.

Weather having been good, the beginning of the movement of tomatoes from the eastern shore of Lake Okeechobee will be 10 days to two weeks earlier than it was last year. Under favorable weather conditions, the tomato shipping season will be at least two weeks longer than it was in 1924, and will permit growers to hold more stock and get more money.

The Vero territory is now shipping tomatoes. The first car shipment of tomatoes from Vero, this season left that place Saturday of last week. The Pahokee territory is also shipping. The Pahokee territory is also shipping. The Pahokee territory is also shipping.

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Railroad To Designate Pahokee As Station?

The railroad station for which a building has been erected on the lake front three-quarters of a mile south of the canal will be known as "Pahokee" and will be so listed in the time tables. The Everglades News is informed. A box car has been rigged up and a Canal Point sign has been placed on it but it is not known where the car will be placed.

APPROVE APPLICATION

FOR C. P. FARM SCHOOL

Authority to make application to the Florida state board of vocational training for \$1,500 to be used toward the expenses of conducting an agricultural school at Canal Point, was given Saturday by Superintendent J. A. Youngblood by the school board at a regular meeting held in the court house.

It was estimated that the operation of the school during the first year would cost about \$1,500 and that it would decrease to about \$2,700 the second year. The state, it is expected, will contribute \$1,500 annually toward its expenses.

GLADES FOLKS MAY HOLD BIG MEETING

Residents of All Communities Asked To
Think About It

Holding of a mass meeting or convention of delegates from Lake Okeechobee communities has been proposed by the Canal Point Merchants Club, and the secretary has been directed to ascertain the views of the people on it.

The idea back of the proposal for a meeting is to get the thoughts of the people on the subjects of roads, drainage and schools.

A campaign may be needed in support of the Everglades road bond proposition and it is felt there should be agreement between the different sections as to level of the lake and when or how water should be raised or lowered in canals, and the location and equipment of schools should be decided on.

The meeting probably will be held in April or May, when formal expression of opinion probably will be wanted by the members of the Legislature from the people of the Everglades on matters that affect their interests.

Participation of Okeechobee, Moore Haven, Pahokee, Chosen, South Bay, Clewiston, Belle Glade, Okeelanta, Ritz and Bare Beach will be invited. Residents of all places around the lake are asked to consult with their fellow citizens and be prepared to give answer to the question of when and where a meeting should be held, and a general meeting staff be held, and when and where.

Truck Tomatoes From Pahokee For 8 Cents

Tomatoes will be hauled from Pahokee to Sand Cut station of the Florida East Coast railroad in International trucks for 8 cents a hamper. A. W. Shuckford of Canal Point, Fla., said yesterday. The 8-cent charge includes the toll charge. To get this 8-cent rate, the truck must carry at least 150 crates; the truck can carry up to 168 crates.

The charge for hauling tomatoes from Canal Point to Sand Cut will be 5 cents a crate.

Tom O'Brien Sells His Clewiston Store

A Mr. Ramsey of Alva, Fla., has bought Tom O'Brien's interest in the Clewiston Simply Company business at Clewiston and has taken charge. Mr. O'Brien is an old acquaintance of C. V. Parkinson of Moore Haven, who owns the other half interest in the Clewiston store. Mr. Parkinson formerly lived at Alva, and for several years has conducted the Parkinson & Son store at Moore Haven.

Mr. O'Brien will remain in the east coast and join his brother, Captain John J. O'Brien, in real estate operations or will go to one of the "fish towns" in Highlands county.

CHOSEN IS ON SALE

Maurice Hart went to Miami Wednesday to transact business. Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Friedman drove to South Bay Friday to visit at the Elliott home.

MAY 12 SET DATE ROAD BOND VOTE

Election For Special
Road and Bridge District No. 11

\$990,000 BOND ISSUE

All Lake Towns To Be
Connected If Proposition Carries

Acting on a petition presented last month, the county commissioners of Palm Beach county have set Tuesday, May 12 as date of an election to be held in special road and bridge district No. 11 on a proposition that \$990,000 road bonds be issued. Frank Wideman, attorney for the bond, was directed on Tuesday to prepare the legal advertisement calling the election.

This action relates to a matter that has been hanging fire for eighteen months and is to advance a road-building program that was started when the district was created in July of 1921.

The \$990,000 is to be apportioned as follows: Belle Glade to Hendry county line to complete the Palm Beach-Fort Myers highway, \$440,000; Canal Point to Pahokee, \$150,000; Pahokee to Belle Glade, \$223,000; Belle Glade to Hillsborough road, \$88,000. Another part of the fund will be for the completion of Okeechobee road from 20-mile bend to Belle Glade. Roads are also to connect Gladeville, Okeelanta, Miami canal and South Bay.

As the county commissioners have decided for bids for the bonds or to make tentative contracts for construction, commencement of work on the roads probably will not start until next fall.

GLADES WEATHER

Canal Point
Temperature, sunshine and rainfall record at Canal Point, Fla., for week ending March 29, 1925.

Date	High	Low	Rain
23	74	64	0.51
24	72	62	0.00
25	78	62	0.00
26	81	55	0.00
27	80	50	0.00
28	70	42	0.82
29	74	44	0.00

Average 76 54 1.13
Sunshine, 54 hours, 15 minutes.

Total rain since Jan. 1, 1925, 9.20 inches.

Gauge above lock, 18.8 feet; gauge below lock 14.7 feet. Read 8:30 a. m. March 29, 1925.

C. P. SHEFFIELD.

Everglades Experiment Station, Belle Glade, Fla.

Record of temperature, rainfall and evaporation at Everglades Experiment Station for the week ending March 28, 1925.

Date	Max.	Min.	Rain	Evapo.
23	79	62	0.00	0.131
24	71	60	0.56	0.096
25	74	59	0.00	0.050
26	76	58	0.12	0.063
27	82	50	0.22	0.221
28	82	58	0.25	0.122

GEO. E. TEDDER, Recorder.

Okeechobee

Record of meteorological observations taken by the undersigned as a cooperative observer of the Weather Bureau of the U. S. Department of Agriculture during the week ending March 29, 1925.

Date	High	Low	Rain
23	74	64	0.15
24	73	63	0.32
25	77	61	0.21
26	80	59	0.00
27	82	57	0.05
28	71	56	0.06
29	74	59	0.00

H. P. PETERSON, Cooperative Observer.

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Oliver Street,
opposite the Post Office
and

American Smoke Shop
Clematis Avenue

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HOWARD SHARP

Editor and Manager

PUNISHING THE BOARD

Two years ago the Miami Chamber of Commerce endorsed the plan for the extension of the boundaries of Everglades Drainage District. This year the drainage committee of the chamber reports a conclusion that "The complete drainage of the Everglades as a whole is something that is far in the distance and will take a great number of years to accomplish," and it therefore proposes courses to make the Miami territory independent of the main district and it does not renew the endorsement of boundary extension.

The Miami Herald, which, we recall correctly, two years ago endorsed the plan of boundary extension, now calls the plan "an unfair proposition" and opposes it.

Two years ago the West Palm Beach Chamber of Commerce side-stepped the boundary extension question and checked the matter to a mass meeting where the proposition was approved after a fight. This year the West Palm Beach Chamber of Commerce definitely rejects the plan.

This shows the change in public opinion toward the administration of Everglades Drainage District.

We judge that the change in opinion was caused by the fact that the effects of the rains in October of 1923 could have been lessened by proper action in advance by the chief drainage engineer and the commissioners of the district.

In July of 1924 there was warrant for apprehending a flood here at the Everglades. News has pointed out the fear of the drainage bosses at Tallahassee was so great that they had to resort to insist on proper precautions being taken. A paralyzing fear of the Tallahassee board still restrains frankness of statement. A policy of frankness and co-operation there is the new policy of a practical effort by withholding support and cooperation. It is the form of punishment that is being meted out to the Tallahassee board by public opinion, but it is a bad policy.

MOORE HAVEN REVEIVED

Their residents have not realized it, but Moore Haven has "come back." The town had had a series of setbacks, tended over four years, part of it purely local and part of it in experiences common to all of the upper Everglades—almost everything imaginable happened to it: fire, bank failures, floods and bitter factional rows, and its residents got so used to it, so reconciled to all that might happen that they are still on the defensive.

The proof that Moore Haven has got back its nerve and its courage and is on its feet again is found in the town's local paper, the Glades County Demobol. Editor Roy Child does not specifically declare in his editorial column that there has been a return to the "old," indeed, Roy hasn't the experience or opportunity for comparison; in contrast, for he got into Moore Haven not much more than a year ago—the proof of what we declare we find in the advertising columns of his paper. Coincident with the turning of the green bean crop there has been a subsidence of pieces of "boiler plate" in the Democrat, the retreat of the "type high" stereotypes being pressed by neat little advertisements, some of which show the return to the community of the people who were "dredged" a few years ago.

Some of the Moore Haven business people stuck with their home paper, mainly, J. P. McEwan of the meat market, Hendricks of the bakery the Kilgore Seed Company, U. G. Moore the lumber man and Sam Cottrell the Ford agent "saw their duty and done it." Cecil Parkinson and Mrs. Lee of the grocery store deserve honorable mention. C. L. Williams the abstract and real estate man always came across in a pinch. The transfer men were represented in the paper every week even if they had to do it on a trade basis.

Now we note that Pete Westergaard confesses in an advertisement that he is in business; Sam Cottrell has come out of the automobile business, a laundry advertiser; there are two real estate men besides the Stone Development Company; and the Kilgore Seed Company has increased its space. A succession of small ads call attention to such a variety of lines of business and occupations as to show that there is business in Moore Haven and firms that are going after it. Cashier Sligh of the Bank of Moore Haven does not have an ad; it may be his sly idea that to show how well his bank is getting along might invite competition.

Towns disclose just exactly what they are in the advertising columns of their territory. It didn't make any difference what Editor Child said in his news stories about how good Moore Haven was if the business people of the community did not back him up and substantiate his statements by showing in the advertisements that the town had merchants and there was business for them to advertise for. Now that they are advertising, the whole world is ready to believe that Moore Haven has indeed "come back."

Let us say for Clewiston. It will be the surprise city of Florida when it gets under way.

EAST COAST FLOODS

"Bonnyview Flooded; Ask Relief of City. Commission To Study Legal Aspects of Situation"—this is a heading on a news article in the Palm Beach Post of Friday, and there the question is again, a question that concerns more than West Palm Beach, of which Bonnyview subdivision is a part.

Some gentle souls fix for the "rainy" season a definite time of beginning and end, but in whatever month the rains start, the Everglades, about floods in Bonnyview, starts with it. With West Palm Beach's internal affairs, the question is not so much as being for the disposal of water from the Everglades Drainage District and not from the city of West Palm Beach. Bonnyview is a part of West Palm Beach; it is a low place and therefore has a drainage problem which is that city's and not the Everglades Drainage District's, but the district is annually called upon to deal with it.

The chief engineer of the drainage district stated the situation in December of last year in a letter to the West Palm Beach Chamber of Commerce in which he said:

"In 1922 and again in 1924, the capacity of West Palm Beach canal near its outfall end was overtaxed by the charge into it of water from all of the low sections immediately west of the coast ridge. At the time the West Palm Beach canal was constructed it was not expected to handle all of this water immediately behind the ridge."

West Palm Beach water was not designed to take care of the same. The dimensions of the canal and the design of the spillways were such as to handle the water at the rate of 2,000 cubic feet per second. Actual gauges have shown a discharge at the outfall of the West Palm Beach canal in excess of 4,000 feet per second, which is more than double its designed capacity. At the same time, at a point on the canal above and unaffected by entrance of water from outside areas, the discharge was about 1,800 cubic feet per second."

That is, West Palm Beach territory has selfishly usurped the service of an Everglades Drainage District canal. By so doing, water from the Glades which should have been discharged was held back or forced back on to land which paid taxes for drainage but did not get it because the untaxed land on the east coast usurped the service of the canal in time of east coast floods.

This cannot continue. The existence of the condition that permitted it to happen in the past was a scandalous thing, shameful alike to the city commission of West Palm Beach, the property of the Lake Worth Drainage District and the commissioners of the Everglades Drainage District.

The occurrence of flood conditions in Bonnyview in March is a reminder of what can happen next fall in consequence of a normal rainy season.

HIGHER TAXES COMING

If Governor John W. Martin does what he says he will he will recommend to the Legislature that rural schools be improved. As a member of the state Board of Education and of other state boards he can influence the dying bill. Without action by the Legislature. The doing of these things will take money, more money, and more money from one source, and that increased taxation.

At the outset the increased taxation will be charged on real estate and its improvements.

The only complaint we ever had against Carl A. Hardee, when he was Governor, was his fanatic opposition to higher state taxes. Schools suffered under the Hardee administration for several years, and he needed it worse now. Governor Martin's proposed course will correct the error that he made. Governor Hardee's administration.

E. G. Sewell, president of the Miami Chamber of Commerce, said at the All-Florida Conference held in West Palm Beach last week that he believed Florida's population will double in the next seven years. If the state's population does double, millions of dollars will be required to build and equip the necessary school houses and pay teachers. This will be additional to catching up with what was lacking four years ago. Governor Martin can do some things as a member of state boards; beyond that he can do nothing more than make recommendations to the Legislature. The final obligation is on public opinion through the members of the Legislature. Owners of real estate must remember that they can't eat their cake and have it—they can't maintain the present prices and still provide money for schools. Florida's illiteracy already is high.

The Everglades News is ready to boost Canal Point as soon as the boosting will be worth while. There is no opposing energy on a community in which the owners of most of the real estate say they are "not ready."

Farmers in the Lake Okechobee region will have more money this summer than they ever had before. Crops never were as good and never sold at such high prices.

Development is pressing in on the Lake Okechobee region. All that was hoped for of this region—will shortly come, to pass.

Construction work in Everglades Drainage District, and in the several sub-districts is going on well.

WE CATER TO THE PEOPLE FROM ALL SECTIONS OF THE EVERGLADES

Edmar's

212 CLEMATIS AVE. WEST PALM BEACH, FLA.

Our Great Annual Sale Is Still Under Way

Drive into West Palm Beach at once and make purchases from this splendid stock, where goods are priced exceptionally low for the period of this sale. This is the great opportunity for the home people. We hope we can make this Sale serve to introduce us to people in the Everglades who are not already customers.

COME IN AND INSPECT THE VALUES IN

MEN'S SUITS

SPECIAL

New Shipment Tropical Worsteds

Fine patterns, well made, selling regularly for \$8.50 (a lot of Striped Flannels, wide bottoms up to \$9 values) — \$6.45

High Grade Flannel Trousers

White and colored with stripes, \$15 value — \$11.50

No matter for what occasion you want it for you will find here a suit that will meet this demand.

WOMEN'S SHOES

This sale includes everything that we have in stock. Patent, Black Satin, White Kid, Suede, Cloth and Trimmed styles. All of our stock is fresh and affords a choice variety for those seeking high grade shoes.

VARIOUS PRICES

NECKWEAR

Our entire stock of Fine Cut Silks Four-in-Hand Cuffs, 95c \$1.45 \$1.95

Nice new merchandise in ties that come either in plain colors or a variety of choice designs and beautiful striped effects. These ties sold regularly at from \$1.00 to \$3.00.

MEN'S SHIRTS

(Neckband Style) Wilson Bros.

Entire stock including "Eagle," Arrow and "Whitney" at 3 prices

\$1.65 \$2.15 \$2.65

COME AND INSPECT THESE VALUES AT

\$23.95 \$26.95 \$29.95

\$32.95 \$35.95

These suits are sound values. They are all well known makes such as Campus Togs and Brauburn. In the lot is a few stouts, studs and slims.

MEN'S SHOES

In our men's shoe department we still offer for sale a complete assortment of styles in Tan, Light Tan, White Patent and Trimmed Styles. Practically all of them are made by Walk-Over and Boyden and afford excellent values. Are bringing back the dough; Tomatoes, too, are growing. Good as they ever grow.

Two FEATURE ASSORTMENTS OF MEN'S SHOES AT

\$15.00 Boyden, White Buck, tan trimmed — \$11.85

\$14.50 Boyden, White Buck, tan trimmed — \$11.45

STRAW HATS

The assortment is still very complete in both the plain Senect Straws and fancy braided. Every hat of Palace quality and the values are exceptionally good.

Sailors at Four Prices

\$2.95 \$3.95 \$4.95 \$5.95

Regular \$3.50 to \$8.00 Values

Leghorns and Panamas up to \$8.50

\$5.95

Panamas of \$12.00 grade

\$6.95

LETTERS

639 W. Wilson St., Glendale, Calif., March 19, 1925.

Editor Everglades News, Canal Point, Fla. Dear Sir: Enclosed find one dollar for a six month subscription to your paper.

Four years ago I and my wife left Hartford, Kansas, to make our home at Oklaclara, Fk. I have lived here at Oklaclara at different times, but all three years and a half. I have always been in love with the Everglades since I first went there. When the floods came two years ago I did not lose my faith in the Everglades but I had to leave. We came here. We have been here a lot about the boom-down there and all the real estate men here say it is only a bubble that will soon burst. But Florida's good times is quite a worry to the interested Californians. Here is hoping the Everglades will soon come into its own. Respectfully,

W. C. FULLEN.

Miami, Fla., March 24, 1925.

Mr. Howard Sharp, Editor, Everglades News, Canal Point, Fla. I have read with interest the issue of March 29 of The Everglades News. I am pleased that such a paper is published, giving reliable data concerning Everglades development.

I am also pleased that you handled your opposition to the plans of the Everglades Reclamation Association in a gentlemanly way. It is your right and duty to oppose any move that in your judgment is not for the general good. However, I regret that you do not see this important problem as the Everglades Reclamation Association does. You would be a strong and efficient help.

The secretary failed to notify the delegates that the last meeting at Oklaclara would be held on March 13 and 14. Otherwise, it is my opinion that the meeting would have been a full attendance. The plan proposed by the Date county drainage commission, as reported in your paper, meets with my hearty approval. All of my land, except two sections, are included in the diking system as outlined. I do not need anything more. But I do believe that the general good of the whole Everglades drainage system will be greatly advanced by the accomplishment of the Everglades Reclamation Association's plan. Respectfully,

F. N. CHAPLIN.

A PROSPEROUS YEAR

We hardly now remember that we had here a flood. Although in late December our fields were mirey mud. The beans that have been going are bringing back the dough; Tomatoes, too, are growing. Good as they ever grow.

We hear the whistle blowing—

The train is coming near.

While fast our crops are growing:

'Twill be a prosperous year.

No more will we be billing about:

Our freight on boats so slow:

iced cars we now are filling.

Swift to the north they go.

Last fall some folks were grumbling

Because things were not right.

That's why they're often stumbling—

No faith, they walk by sight.

Why not be always cheerful

And never fret or fuss?

Things might seem like fear

Yet good will come to us.

—FRANK FRIED.

GLADES SEEDLING CANES SHIPPED TO LOUISIANA

Six hundred seedling canes were shipped Saturday by C. P. Sheffield from the U. S. cane testing station at Canal Point to the Louisiana sugar experiment station at Baton Rouge. A number of other seedlings were shipped this week to the government experiment station at Belle Glade, where the last year's disorganized the schedule.

Peter J. Klaphack, assistant pathologist of the plant industry bureau's office of sugar plant investigation, who spent several months at the Canal Point station, has left on his return to Washington. He is expected to arrive at Washington early next week. Dr. E. W. Brandes, chief of the sugar plant stations, will not leave Washington until Mr. Klaphack arrives there.



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HOWARD SHARP

Editor of The Everglades News

Canal Point, Fla.

PERFECT DRAINAGE NECESSARY TO SUCCESSFUL FARMING

Address Delivered by State Chemist R.
"Rose" to the students of the agricul-
tural department of the University of
Florida at Gainesville.

Prof. Vernon and Young Gentlemen:

It is unnecessary for me to say that
the proper drainage and fitting state suc-
cessful agriculture of the wet lands of
the state of Florida will be one of the
greatest problems of the agricultural
student of the future. Lands of won-
derful latent fertility and productiv-
ness, only requiring that they be reliev-
ed of their super-abundance of water
thus allowing the air and sunlight to
perform their beneficent functions of
converting into fruitful fields large
tracts of now useless and non-produc-
tive soils.

It is well known to all of you that I
have for many years been an advocate
of the drainage of the wet lands of our
state. In fact, have been termed a
"drainage enthusiast," possibly with
good reason, as it has been for many
years my constant study, with consid-
erable experience, both drainage of
wet lands and cultivating the same, the
successful results of which, agricultural
and financial, are known to many.

I have stated publicly on several
occasions, and again repeat, that, in
my opinion, there is scarcely a town-
ship in Florida, certainly not a county,
that could not be made to produce
much greater agricultural results by a
proper system of drainage.

That Florida possessed enormous
areas of "swamp and overflowed lands,"
susceptible of successful drainage, thus
preparing them for profitable cultivation,
was recognized many years ago
and agitated by our state government
and our representatives in Congress,
years before the grant of the "swamp
and overflowed lands" of the state to
the state of Florida (and other states)
in 1850, by which grant the state of
Florida received from the general gov-
ernment more than 22,000,000 acres of
wet land, designated "swamp and over-
flowed lands," granted to the state of
Florida by Congress under the follow-
ing explicit condition:

"Provided, however, that the proceeds
of the said lands, whether from sale or
by direct appropriation in kind, shall be
applied exclusively, as far as necessary,
for the purpose of reclaiming said lands
by means of the levees and drains
aforesaid," is a matter of history.

The state of Florida, by this act ob-
tained some 22,000,000 acres of land.
She had in addition each sixteenth sec-
tion, one thirty-sixth of the entire area
of the state, granted for public schools,
together with large donations for "in-
ternal improvement," and another large
grant for seminaries. As the state of
Florida has about 35,000,000 acres of
land, it is readily seen that more than
one-fourth of her entire area was grant-
ed by the national government to be
"applied exclusively, as far as neces-
sary, to the purpose of reclaiming said
lands." Thus it will be seen that sixty-
five years ago, our statesmen (who at
that time were not agriculturists)
recognized the necessity of providing
for the reclamation of the wet lands of
the state, recognizing their great agri-
cultural value, when properly drained
and reclaimed.

I shall not attempt to go into the
history of the disposition of this vast
empire entrusted to the state for the
benefit of her agricultural development.
The history is contained in the acts of
the various legislatures since the grant
of 1850. The extreme paucity of per-
formance under the trust, and the fact
that only two million acres of this vast
territory now remains to accomplish
the work now being accomplished by
the trustees of the internal improve-
ment fund and drainage commissioners.
I simply cite these historical facts to
emphasize that wise men of past gen-
erations recognized the necessity of
drainage and the value of wet lands
of the state when drained, and provided
ample means for its accomplishment.

There still exists in Florida large
areas of soil found in every county
of the state in larger or smaller bodies,
soils which, when properly drained, are
of unexampled fertility and productiv-
ness. On you, young gentlemen,
will devolve the responsibility of per-
forming this task of such an enormous
economic value to our state. A task
which, when completed, will make
Florida the most productive agricul-
tural state in the union—a state with
a fertile soil in a semi-tropical climate,
with abundant sunshine, with an annual
rainfall well distributed, of practically
sixty inches per annum, a territory
unique in all its features of unexampled
agricultural possibilities, provided her
wet lands, which comprise practically
one-third of her area, are properly
drained and reclaimed, conditions fore-
seen by our fathers and liberally pro-
vided for, a condition which still lar-
ge prevails. A problem is presented to
you, on the correct solution of which,
to a very great extent, depends the fu-
ture prosperity and agricultural wealth
of our state.

There are many problems which you
will have to meet, discuss and decide.
You will find many different solutions
offered for each, particularly by those
who have no knowledge of the subject
at all, having neither experience nor
proper information, knowing neither
"why" nor "how." Most particularly
you will have to deal with the "expert,"
who is generally one who has consid-
ered some bulletin, visited a few farmers'
institutes, and who knows little of agri-
cultural science, and less of the practical
application of scientific truths on
the farm. Possibly he may have some
scientific knowledge. If so, he won't
class himself as an "expert." Scienti-

men are modest and don't pretend to
be "experts," recognizing that agricul-
tural science is the youngest of all
sciences, although it is the oldest art
practiced by mankind, knowing that
much of the information we now im-
agine we possess may not be correct in-
formation. That some of the "truths"
proclaimed may, on further investi-
gation, prove false. One of our foremost
Florida agriculturists has said publicly
before audiences in this state that the
greatest difficulty he now had was to
forget many things taught at college,
which he now knows to be false, or at
least, incorrect. It is, therefore, with
much hesitancy I attempt to answer
some of the questions you will have to
answer. They will come to you in many
forms, modified by local condi-
tions and individual necessities.

1. When and why is drainage neces-
sary?

Drainage is necessary when the soil
is permanently filled with water, or
subject to overflow for a time suffi-
cient to destroy the millions of bacteria
necessary in a productive soil, thus
drowning out not only the living bac-
teria, but the cultivated plant, by cut-
ting off the supply of water and air
necessary for the growth of the plants.
Drainage is necessary when the soil to
a depth that should be occupied by liv-
ing bacteria and roots of healthy crops
is limited by the line of "saturation."
This may be less than three feet to a
great damage to crops will occur when-
ever the "water table" reaches into the
zone occupied by the roots of the crop.

2. How deep should soil be drained?
To the full depth that air and roots
of crops in well drained soils will pen-
etrate. Not less than three feet to the
permanent water table, in my opinion,
never less than three feet, and in soils
well filled with humus, not less than
four feet. This has been demonstrated
where superior crops are grown on the
drained lands with the drains four feet
below the surface, as compared with
similar crops on similar soils, under
similar conditions, where the drainage
was from eighteen inches to two feet
below the surface. Also by practical
experience on drained lands in Florida,
where similar crops were far superior
on land drained full three feet with
numerous drains to those on adjoining
fields with but single drains, and with
drains double the distance apart.

3. It is possible to combine drainage
with irrigation?

No, drainage and irrigation are dis-
tinctly opposed to each other. To
reverse the flow of a drainage system
for the purpose of irrigation has neces-
sarily proven disastrous. It is now
conceded that the cost to drain the ir-
rigated lands of many large irrigation
systems (not provided with natural
drainage) will be far in excess of the
cost of irrigation. Drainage and irri-
gation must necessarily be simultaneous
in order to cause a circulation of water
and air throughout the soil, a condi-
tion always found on naturally well-
drained, productive soils.

4. Can we close the drains and hold
the drainage water in dry seasons?
Not without danger to the crops.
Irrigation water should be placed on
near the surface and be allowed to
drain into and circulate through the
soil, into the drains, and out to the
necessary moisture and also the
necessary air in the soil, for the healthy
growing of the necessary plants, which
can exist in a saturated soil, in which there
is no air (free oxygen).

5. Would it be possible to drain
high rolling lands, with clay sub-soils?
Unquestionably. Numbers of such
lands of great improvement in pro-
ductiveness, are known in this and
other states. Such drains, particularly
tile drains, allow the rains to penetrate
the soils, followed by the air, render-
ing the soil productive, from which be-
fore drainage, the rain passed off
rapidly without penetrating the soil.
This has been frequently demonstrated
on high rolling red clay hills, barren
before tile drained and productive
thereafter. The lack of such drainage
has been largely the cause of the
"washes and gulches" of many of our
southern cotton fields. Terracing is
but a substitute for drainage, causing
the rain water to pass down into the
soil and drain away at a lower level,
thus avoiding surface wash. Terracing
is but irrigation and drainage combin-
ed.

6. Should irrigation be practiced on
Florida soils, particularly on drained
lands?

Certainly. Whenever the soil water
falls below the crops requirements irri-
gation is beneficial. Provided, always,
that the surplus is drained away either
naturally through a porous sub-soil, or
artificially through a properly designed
drainage system. Saturation, flooding
of soil, either by rain or otherwise, is
not irrigation. Saturation water will de-
stroy crops and render unproductive
fertile soil.

7. How should irrigation be applied
to drained lands?

Upon or near the surface, overhead
irrigation is best. From a head ditch,
the drainage system being kept open at
all times, the irrigation water to pass
down and through the soil, instead
of the water to pass down into the sub-
soil, thus at all times draining (circulating)
the water and the air throughout the soil.
Creation of water and air is nec-
essary in productive, healthy soil as
circulation of the blood in animals; and
for the same purpose to convey prop-
erly prepared food to the organs of ab-
sorption.

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OKEELANTA

OKEELANTA, April 2.—For the last ten days Bennie Anjima has been plowing, using the Fenner tractor, northwest of town.

F. Lower, who owns a tract of land two miles west of town on the Bollen canal and who usually spends the winter here, has returned to Philadelphia.

The Mothersbaugh brothers, visiting here with Wm. M. a third brother, have left for their homes in the Keystone state. This reduces our community to the original number of pioneer settlers.

Mr. Gann, who a fortnight ago accompanied the Littles, whom he providentially met at Canal Point, to their home on the Miami canal, where, he owns some land, was sorely surprised at the wild and cultivated vegetation in the sawgrass section south of Lake Okechobee. Stopping at the hotel here, vegetables of all kinds graced the table, raised by Mr. and Mrs. Covel since the disappearance of the water. The astonishment of this New York gentleman increased on his arrival at the Little home where, notwithstanding the adverse conditions of the last six months he found beautiful surroundings with every evidence of sawgrass land fertility. Mr. Gann was under the impression from what he had heard in coast and lake towns, that the sawgrass portion of the Everglades was of no value for a number of years after breaking and, even then, it was inferior to that in immediate vicinity of the lake. These are reprehensible, misleading statements, contrary to facts. Your correspondent is not a prophet nor the son of a prophet but common sense, extensive travel and a lengthy residence in the sawgrass portion of the Everglades—the real Everglades—are sawgrass—convince him of their ultimate superiority to any lands in our great commonwealth. The sawgrass region needs no artificial boosting; it has already proven its intrinsic worth. Take the water off and keep it off and it will stand on its own agricultural and horticultural merits.

TORY ISLAND

School has opened again on Tory Island with Miss Katie Petersen of Homestead as teacher. Miss Petersen with her father and mother, Dr. and Mrs. J. Petersen and Professor and Mrs. Forsee of Kew-Forest, came to the island Saturday. Dr. Petersen is a soil chemist and has experimented with many tropical fruits among which are twenty-eight varieties of bananas, one of which is grown from the seed. The doctor said "This is the giant of all bananas having leaves forty feet long and six feet wide and is known as Musa Arnoldiana." He also has two hundred and sixty-two varieties of fruit trees on his farm besides many other plants and shrubs. They returned to their home Sunday evening very much impressed with the possibilities of this section.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Winnie spent Saturday in West Palm Beach.

Dr. R. R. Teller with a party of Chicago friends spent Thursday and Friday at Ross Winnie's. Dr. Teller looked over his place and has decided to reside here this summer. He will separate his place from the Bryans' place.

Mr. and Mrs. R. S. King and Ralph of Coconut Grove and Miss Cora Volsted of Gulfport, Miss., spent the weekend with the Bea Der family.

Mr. and Mrs. Bryant McLendon and family, Mrs. Mary Winnie, Mr. Mitchell and Mrs. Rhoden of St. Lucie canal spent Sunday at Ross Winnie's.

Mr. and Mrs. Gus Cromaric spent Sunday at Oscar Ward's on Little Kraemer Island.

Walter Schlechter, Lewis and Morris Marshall and Fyul Kirchner of Chosen spent Sunday with friends on the island.

Wilton Winnie spent Sunday evening at Chosen.

Mr. and Mrs. Jackson of Belle Glade visited here Sunday.

The boat which Mr. King is rebuilding for Mr. Hainey of Chosen, is looking fine and will soon be ready for launching. Mr. Hainey and brother are helping him in the work.

GLADES WEATHER

Date	Moore Haven		Rain
	High	Low	
22	81	69	0.00
23	82	66	0.00
24	79	65	0.06
25	80	63	0.06
26	80	65	0.00
27	83	56	0.00
28	71	60	0.00

M. VALAER,
Cooperative Observer.

THE MARKETS

The Florida Marketing Bureau report for Tuesday, March 31, gave the following quotations:

Beans.—Baltimore: Fair \$3 to \$4; best Valentines and Refugees \$4.50; best \$5. Philadelphia: Fair \$4 to \$5; best \$5.50 to \$6. New York: Fair \$6 to \$7, few choice at \$7.50. Chicago: Rusty \$2 to \$3, few fancy \$6.

Pears.—New York: \$2.75 to \$3. Supplies are being received from California and Mexico.

Tomatoes.—New York: Best fancy \$7, choice \$6, fair \$4 to \$5. Chicago: Florida repacked fancy \$8 to \$8.50, choice \$7 to \$7.50. Philadelphia: Choice \$4 to \$4.50, fair \$4 to \$6.50.

SERIOUS, OR KIDDING?

This article, to be printed in the issue dated Friday, April 3, is written on Saturday, March 28.

It is written with the knowledge that the board of county commissioners of Palm Beach county is due to meet on Wednesday, April 1, and that promise has been made that call will be authorized at that meeting for an election in Special District No. 11 on a proposition to issue bonds for roads in the Everglades, a road from Canal Point to Hillsboro canal being one of the items on the proposed schedule.

An article in the Fort Myers Press of March 21 is headed: "Palm Beach-Fort Myers Highway Ready By 1926. Say East Coast Residents."

Construction of the Palm Beach-Fort Myers highway can be brought about by either of two methods: through Special District No. 11 or as a toll road under an existing act of the Legislature. In neither case is it likely that the road will be "ready" by 1926. To put it bluntly, The Everglades News questions the good-faith of the residents of West Palm Beach who tell the Fort

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Legislature of Florida will at the Regular Session, 1925, be requested to pass Special Acts relating to the following:

1. An Act authorizing the Board of Supervisors of the Palm City Drainage District in Palm Beach County, Florida, to issue and sell bonds not to exceed Twenty Thousand Dollars par value, to liquidate outstanding indebtedness of the District.

2. An Act authorizing the Board of Supervisors of the Highlands Glades Drainage District in Palm Beach County, Florida, to issue and sell bonds not to exceed One Hundred Thousand Dollars par value, to provide funds to complete the work under its present Plan of Reclamation, or any amendment of Plan of Reclamation, or any system of dykes and pumping that may be adopted for said Highlands Glades Drainage District.

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Myers delegation that the road will be completed by the end of the year. We question it on the record of the past year.

At any time in the past year sufficient signatures to a petition for an election could have been secured in West Palm Beach in a week if there had existed a real desire in West Palm Beach. This makes us believe that the delay in calling the election was calculated and planned with a purpose to withhold a road. We know of no development to change the policy of delay.

There will be many opportunities and excuses for delay. If the call for an election is made on April 1, the election can not be held earlier than in May. Sentiment in the board of county commissioners opposes the plan of getting bids for the work on the date the bonds are offered for sale—if bonds are voted. Selling the bonds as one operation and getting bids for the work as another operation can be used to string the processes out for months. Final execution of contracts and starting of work can be made to take up the rest of the year.

Public works contractors have things pretty much their own way in Palm Beach county; county commissioners and city officials have trained them to that. The proposed program for Special District No. 11 calls for \$900,000 worth of work, and there is no precedent.

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dent that warrants expectation that \$900,000 worth of work can be completed in a year. We suspect that the Fort Myers delegation was being kidded when they were told that the Palm Beach-Fort Myers Highway will be ready by 1926.

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CANAL POINT

Mrs. J. O. Mansfield left on the McCoy Line boat Friday morning to visit her son George and see her grandson, born March 11. George is running a metal works shop in Tampa. His wife, formerly Miss Tuell of Indiana, has visited in Canal Point.

A large rubber tree east of Custard Apple Inn fell Friday. Although its top was thrifty the trunk was rotten except a quarter of an inch near the bark and the wind from the west weakened it so its weight pulled it down an hour after the storm had passed.

The Palm Beach Creamery Company sends a truck as far north as Avon Park with ice cream, the express department of the Seaboard Air Line not yet having been organized. Ice cream for Canal Point is brought out on the mail truck. A bakery at Olympia makes deliveries of bread in Canal Point. These are some of the consequences of Conners Highway.

Joseph Becker & Company, commission merchants of Detroit, Mich., are represented in the Lake Okeechobee region this year. The representative is E. E. Gracy, who is making his headquarters at Moore Haven and who visited Canal Point the first of the week, accompanied by his wife. He has local agents at several points on the lake. Mr. Gracy will visit Canal Point from time to time during the season.

Little Miss Elizabeth Brigham entertained a number of her friends Saturday afternoon with a party, it being her seventh birthday. The invitations asked them to come at 3:30 and promptly at that hour they arrived. Miss Yvonne Goodaby entertained them for an hour and a half with games, stories and songs. Their hosts of laughter were proof of their enjoyment during this time. At five o'clock they were invited into the cafe for refreshments. Places for eighteen were laid. The table was decorated with white and gold and in the center was the cake with its seven candles. During the service Elizabeth thanked her guests for many presents which attracted her popularity. Each expressed their enjoyment upon leaving.

CALLS ACKNOWLEDGED

Henry M. Dozier, sales manager of the Okeechobee Land & Investment Company, taking a party of investors to that city from West Palm Beach, stopped in Canal Point Tuesday. His company is developing Sunset Park addition to Okeechobee. Residents of Okeechobee as well as winter residents from the coast see good values in Sunset Park lots and the property good demand.

E. V. O'Dowd of West Palm Beach, representing the W. J. Conners property, called at the office Tuesday to leave a subscription for the office in Buffalo, where a sales campaign will be carried on this summer.

F. B. Nance of West Palm Beach, a realtor who owns several good properties at the south end of the lake, called Tuesday to renew his subscription. He was accompanied by Dr. R. R. Ward, who also owns Everglades lands. Mr. Nance's office is in the Citizens Bank building and he handles east coast properties as well as Everglades lands and town lots.

Wm. G. Erwin of Pittsford, Pa., a former newspaper publisher who is making a camping trip through southern Florida, stopped in Wednesday to see the mechanical equipment of The Everglades News. He has written several articles about the Everglades, Conners Highway and similar subjects for northern magazines, unsolicited material he has furnished to the editor of The Everglades News in connection with his original data. He promises to make another trip to Canal Point before he goes back north. Mr. Erwin recalls that he fished on Lake Okeechobee 32 years ago, coming in by way of Fort Pierce with a party of other sportsmen.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Tallahassee, Fla., March 28, 1925. Mr. Howard Sharp, Editor, The Everglades News, Canal Point, Florida. Dear Sir: I note in the South Florida Developer of March 17, 1925, an article "Offer High Prices for Drained Lands," headed Tallahassee, Florida, March 13, in which Mr. F. C. Elliot, chief engineer is quoted as saying: "Approximately 500 miles of canals have been constructed to date in carrying on the work, representing a total excavation of earth and rock of 6,231,122 cubic yards. Fourteen masonry locks and dams have been constructed and other important work accomplished, at a total cost to date of approximately \$10,500,000. Locks and dams in the canals make navigation possible for boats as long as 100 feet with proportional width and draft. Boats may cross the state from the Atlantic ocean to the Gulf of Mexico via the canals and Lake Okeechobee."

I contend that the "fourteen masonry locks and dams constructed to make navigation possible in the canals, for boats 100 feet long, with proportional width and draft," retard and prevent the drainage and reclamation of the territory for agricultural purposes; that the cost of these locks and dams, expended in deepening the canals and providing free exit of the excess water from the 500 miles of canals cut in the Everglades, would have, to a great extent, prevented the disastrous overflows of the Glades, and would have hastened the completion of the drainage of the Everglades for agricultural purposes.

The state drainage commission is not charged with the duty of providing navigable canals nor other means of transportation. While Major J. O. Wright was chief engineer, the War Department assumed to control the level of the canals cut by the state of Florida for drainage and reclamation of the swamp and overflowed lands of the state, under the swamp and overflowed land grant act of 1850 (which granted to Florida, and other states, by act of Congress, large tracts of land for drainage and reclamation for agricultural purposes). This assumption of the control of the level of the water in canals cut by the state has, in the opinion of the writer, been the principal if not the only cause of the recent disastrous overflows of the Glades. Mr. Elliot is by no means chargeable with this procedure, inaugurated by his predecessor, for the building of locks and dams for navigation, to the detriment of drainage and reclamation and the retarding of the work of the drainage commission; and to the great damage of the farmers of Everglades lands.

Yours truly,

R. E. ROSE.

DEATH OF MRS. WATKINS

The funeral of Mrs. Marie Watkins, wife of G. A. Watkins of Canal Point, was held Tuesday and interment was made at Pahokee cemetery. The body was brought to Canal Point Monday from Miami, where the death occurred. Her mother, Mrs. Murphy, had gone to Miami the latter part of last week and returned with the body, accompanied by the children. Mrs. Watkins had undergone an operation at West Palm Beach and was then removed to Miami.

There is interesting news on every page. You will miss something important if you merely glance over the paper.

LOST—Between Canal Point and Pahokee, Monday, March 30, man's coat with small pin stripe, size about 38. Return to Perry (colored) at Conners Farm and receive reward.

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E. T. Roux Buys Timber
From Seaboard Land
Company

PLAN BIG SAW MILL

Tramways to Move 200-
000,000 Ft. of Timber
From 160,000 Acres

WEST PALM BEACH, March 31.—The first step toward building a city at Indiantown, in the center of the Seaboard Air Line railway's development in the north part of Palm Beach county, took place last week with completion of arrangements for a sawmill at that place, to be one of the largest in south Florida.

All of the timber on the Seaboard's property in this county has been sold by the Land Company of Florida, a subsidiary of the Seaboard, to E. T. Roux, a lumberman of Tampa and Avon Park. More than 200,000 feet of timber was involved in the deal. It stands on an area of 160,000 acres and it will be necessary to build a series of tramways through the forests to the site of the sawmill.

Mr. Roux is organizing the Indian Lumber Company, in which name the lumbering is to be carried on. This company has acquired from the Land Company of Florida a tract of 300 acres between the post office and the ferry at Indiantown, where the sawmill, yards, shipping facilities and houses for employees will be constructed.

The Indian Lumber Company's plans call for a sawmill large enough to employ between 1,200 and 1,500 men. Housing accommodations for these men and their families will be constructed as rapidly as possible from lumber cut at the sawmill. It is estimated that enough timber is available for the sawmill company to keep their force at work for the next ten years.

This is the first of several industries to be located at Indiantown by the Seaboard. Plans are afoot to bring other manufacturing concerns to this location, with the aim of building at Indiantown a city of leading importance in South Florida.

OKEECHOBEE

The entire unfinished gap on state road No. 8 between Okeechobee and Sebring will be finished within three months as a result of extending a contract with the Meyer Construction Company under which the necessity of advertising for bids for a formerly uncontracted section is avoided.

Six thousand dollars has been appropriated for improvements on the Okeechobee telephone exchange. Promise is made that the equipment will be brought up to the Bell standard. T. S. Lumpkin, formerly of Atlanta, Ga., has succeeded T. A. Sizemore as manager.

Rock suitable for surfacing roads has been found on land owned by P. S. Champlin two and a half miles from Okeechobee on the Biscayne road.

The Indian River Baptist Association held a meeting at Okeechobee last Sunday.

The Seaboard Air Line began carrying mail April 1.

One hundred and fifty-five money orders were written at Okeechobee post office Monday of last week. Eighty-two were to pay charges on coal merchandise.

W. N. Ingram, who has been in the jewelry business here for a number of years, has gone to the States.

The Robert Arkell dwelling has been bought by L. L. Wingate, who sold his house near the Harding hotel to J. E. Price.

SOUTH BAY

SOUTH BAY, March 31.—South Bay lots are moving fast. Out of the 250 lots in the townsite there are only 32 lots left unsold and Frank S. Lee, our real estate agent, informs us that he has prospects from all over the United States and Canada to clean these lots up within the day and night.

Sales of lots were made this week as follows:

Bay, 2 lots on Bolles avenue; Victor L. Geiger of Chicago, Ill., 2 lots on Canal street; Frank L. Angell of Chicago, Ill., 2 lots on Lake avenue; Mrs. D. W. Crocker of South Bay, 2 lots on Lake avenue; Mrs. Christine Erickson of Moline, Ill., 2 lots on Bolles avenue; J. W. Daniels of Charlotte, N. C., 2 lots on Second street.

I. A. Dean has bought the Skidmore house and three lots on 5th avenue. Mr. Skidmore bought 10 acres of land just below the townsite.

James Lee of Plant City was looking over lands around South Bay, Thursday, and likes this location. He had 40 acres tract in section 22 just below the townsite reserved until he can get back home and forward check to close the deal.

J. S. Gilbert, who has the contract with the Palm Beach Avon Gro Company to clear 50 acres of land east of South Bay, is making good progress. They have 10 acres now ready for the trees to be set.

Captain Earl Daniels, of the dredge Florida was in town Saturday buying supplies from our merchants. He says

they will finish clearing the bays into the next week—this is good news; the boats from Lauderdale can then resume their runs.

The South Shore Transportation Company boats plying between South Bay and Clewiston are kept busy night and day hauling vegetables to be shipped from Clewiston to the northern market.

J. E. Oliver, hardware ambassador from Tampa, was at South Bay last week and as usual spent his spare time fishing. He certainly can tell you how to catch large fish, for one afternoon he came back with three bass weighing together sixteen pounds and lost a fourth one about the same size. The next day he came in with a 10-pound catfish and three five-pound bass. We don't know what he would have caught the next day if he had stayed but we know that it would have been worthy of note.

MUCH SUPPORT FOR INSIDE WATERWAY

Would Open Route Via
Canal Point Through
Lake Okeechobee

KISSIMMEE, March 27.—Completion of the inland waterway, which now extends from Kissimmee to the ocean, was the subject of discussion at the weekly meeting of the Kissimmee Chamber of Commerce. Kent Pendleton, secretary of the Mid-State Waterways Association, was the speaker and was invited to discuss the question, and he outlined the progress of the survey and the plans under way.

Mr. Pendleton maintained that the necessary dredging to complete the inland waterway from Jacksonville down to the St. Johns river, thence to Eustis, to Kissimmee, to Lake Okeechobee, could be accomplished for a half million dollars. Several surveys have already been made and there is but little of the entire distance of almost 1,000 miles from Eustis to Okeechobee which would involve new channels. Boats already come from the ocean to Eustis by way of Jacksonville and from the ocean and the gulf to Kissimmee by way of Lake Okeechobee, the Kissimmee river, Lakes Hatchineha, Cypress and Tohopekaliga. A string of lakes between Lake Tohopekaliga and Applegate could easily be connected and this could probably be done without locks.

The speaker said that if this waterway were opened, the number of boats registered in Florida would increase from 8,000 to 10,000. He maintained that the emphasis should be put on tourist and not on freight. Ex-congressman Haines, of Altamonte Springs, and W. C. Cochran have each pledged large amounts of money to the completion of this waterway, and Senator Dupont, who has recently purchased more than 2,000 acres on the Kissimmee river, south of Kissimmee, is another one who would lend final assistance to such a course.

Mr. Pendleton is urging a new law at the next session of the legislature, which would enable property holders bordering of the water front to raise a fund for waterway development in a manner similar to that now provided for financing drainage districts in the existing drainage law.

ONE YEAR AGO

Items From the Issue of
The Everglades News
of April 5, 1924

Y. C. Mar, chemist for the West Palm Beach Water Company, came to Canal Point and got samples of Lake Okeechobee water for analyses. On his way up he took samples of canal water. There was talk on the east coast of dumping Lake Okeechobee water into West Palm Beach.

A drill barge that was built at Loxahatchee Farms for Everglades drainage district, presumably to work on West Palm Beach canal, went through the Canal Point lock bound for Hillsboro canal.

John Temple Graess, special writer on the Palm Beach Post, visited Belle Glade and wrote an article of glowing praise of the Everglades.

The week was the first anniversary of work on Commers Highway.

W. J. Conners rode on the 10 miles on his road that was rocky between Canal Point and 20-mile bend. Daniel Downey, superintendent, estimated that the engineering crew would reach Canal Point within two weeks.

H. E. Motter wrote for the Palm Beach Post an article describing the operations of the Florida Sugar & Food Products Company. The mill was still grinding and 4000 bannisters of beans and peas had been shipped.

L. L. Knight proposed that a star mail route be established to give daily service to residents north of Canal Point.

W. S. Stuckey was getting grass from the base ball park at West Palm Beach.

W. L. Brandon had put on a freight boat to run between Fort Lauderdale and South Bay and East Beach.

Cocunut palms and Australian pines were set on the John B. Beach. Turner & Gunn land at Kraemer Island.

There were expectations of a building boom all through the Lake Okeechobee region when the tomato crop was off.

LOCKTENDERS' WEEKLY REPORT OF LAKE AND CANAL LEVELS

		LAKE GROUP				COASTAL GROUP				CALOOSA GROUP			
		Caloasatchee No. 1	Miami No. 1	North New River No. 1	Hillsboro No. 1	Palm Beach No. 1	St. Lucie No. 1	St. Lucie No. 2	Palm Beach No. 2	Hillsboro No. 2	North New River No. 2	South New River No. 2	Caloasatchee No. 2
Sunday	UPPER POOL	19.0	18.9	19.0			18.60	12.0	3.9	3.1	1.0	2.1	0.9
Monday	UPPER POOL	15.1	15.2	14.9			18.60	13.8	0.5	3.1	0.1	0.9	1.2
Tuesday	UPPER POOL	19.0	18.9	18.9			18.55	12.0	3.8	3.1	1.4	2.0	0.9
Wednesday	UPPER POOL	15.2	15.2	14.9			18.55	1.6	0.8	3.1	1.2	2.0	0.9
Thursday	UPPER POOL	19.0	18.8	18.9			18.50	12.0	3.8	3.0	1.4	2.0	0.9
Friday	UPPER POOL	15.2	15.1	14.9			18.50	1.6	0.4	3.0	1.2	2.0	0.9
Saturday	UPPER POOL	19.0	18.8	18.9			18.50	12.0	3.8	3.0	1.6	2.1	0.9
Sunday	UPPER POOL	15.3	15.1	14.9			18.50	1.5	0.4	3.0	1.4	2.1	0.9
Monday	UPPER POOL	19.0	18.7	18.9			18.50	12.0	3.8	2.9	1.8	2.2	0.9
Tuesday	UPPER POOL	15.3	15.1	14.9			18.50	1.7	0.2	2.9	1.7	2.2	0.9
Wednesday	UPPER POOL	19.0	18.7	18.8			18.60	12.0	3.8	2.8	1.8	2.4	0.9
Thursday	UPPER POOL	15.3	15.1	14.9			18.60	1.9	0.2	2.8	1.7	2.4	0.9
Friday	UPPER POOL	19.0	18.7	18.9			18.55	12.0	5.0	2.8	1.6	2.5	0.8
Saturday	UPPER POOL	15.3	15.0	14.9			18.55	2.0	0.8	2.8	1.5	2.5	0.8

State To Appeal Case Brought By Dewhurst

WEST PALM BEACH, March 31.—Notice of intention to appeal to the supreme court from the decision of Judge C. E. Chillingworth of the circuit court was filed yesterday by J. B. Johnson, attorney for the L. I. Board, in the case being pressed against them by William W. Dewhurst, owner of land in Everglades drainage district.

Dewhurst filed suit on August 4, 1924, against the trustees of the internal improvement fund, charging that approximately 5,000 acres of land in the district had been wrongfully sold, opening to illegalities and irregularities in the assessment and advertising of the taxes for the land. A demurrer was filed on August 2, 1924, by the L. I. Board and argued February 23, 1925. The demurrer was denied by Judge Chillingworth.

A case against Fred E. Fanno, clerk, for the cancellation of the tax certificates, is also pending in the courts.

MOORE HAVEN

There are several cases of influenza in town, Sheriff Richards and Lloyd Farnum are among the victims.

Andrew Nelson of West Palm Beach visited Mr. and Mrs. Larsen.

Cars run by the Stone Development Company came in last week with people from St. Petersburg who are prospective of farm tracts and town lots.

B. F. Mills has installed a radio.

Home, Hamilton and wife held a reunion from Tampa to make their home here in future.

Father, F. Wagermans of Tampa, who returned home from Europe each fifth Sunday, was unable to come this month. The election on bonds for a court house will be held April 14.

Suit was filed Saturday at West Palm Beach by John M. Lindsay against G. W. Bingham, once Republican candidate for congress. Lindsay being \$1,000 damages and alleges that Bingham did not live up to a contract made with him concerning matters pertaining to Bingham's campaign. What these matters were were not disclosed by the plaintiff's attorneys.

NOTICE

To All Whom It May Concern: You will please take notice that there will be a session to the Legislature of the State of Florida at its next regular session, a proposed bill incorporating the Town of Canal Point to include the following described territory in Palm Beach County, Florida, to-wit:

The West Half (W1-2) of fractional Section Twenty-three (23), the North-west Quarter (NW1-4) and the West Half (W1-2) of the Southeast Quarter (SW1-4) of Section Twenty-six (26), all of fractional Section Twenty-seven (27), the West Half (W1-2) and the West Half (W1-2) of the Northeast Quarter NE1-4 of Section Thirty-four (34), and all of fractional Section Thirty-three (33), all in Township Forty-one (41) South, Range Thirteen (37) East.

D. D. Simon, Attorney.
3-20; 27; 4-3; 10; 17; 24; 5-1; 8; 15

SOUTH BAY

There are going to be two or three good town built in the Everglades. South Bay, on the South Shore of Lake Okeechobee, will be one of them.

The South Shore lands are some of the richest and are located in the very heart of the Everglades.

This land in the next few years will be the most valuable land in the South. In the next five years with the improvements now started we will be surprised ourselves, along with the whole world.

Do not write. Come and stay long enough to see conditions as they are now. Then you can imagine just about what will take place in a very short time.

I know the South Shore of Lake Okeechobee.

F. S. LEE
Real Estate Dealer and Muck Farmer, South Bay, Fla.

NOTICE THE DATE ON THE LABEL

The figures on the address labels on this paper show the date to which subscription has been paid. If the figures are 3-1-25 that means that the subscription was paid to March 1, 1925. The first issue of The Everglades

News was March 11, 1924. Some of the subscriptions began with that date. The larger number came in April. In a week or so a revision of the mailing list will be made and persons who are delinquent will be dropped. The circulation of the paper is at a point that nearly reaches the capacity of the press to print the edition in one day and we cannot afford to print any papers that are not paid for.

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No. 37 Coaches-Sleepers 3:30 AM
No. 39 All Pullman 3:45 AM
No. 41 Coaches-Sleepers 9:15 AM
No. 33 All Pullman 7:35 PM
No. 35 Coaches and Pullmans 9:30 PM
No. 29 Coaches and Parlor 9:45 PM
Northbound
No. 88 All Pullman 1:15 AM
No. 86 Coaches-Sleepers 3:45 AM
No. 30 Coaches and Parlor 7:45 AM
No. 34 All Pullman 11:10 AM
No. 36 Coaches-Sleepers 9:35 AM
No. 42 Coaches-Sleepers 1:10 PM
No. 38 Coaches-Sleepers 7:05 PM
No. 40 All Pullman 9:50 PM
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STUART FIGHTS NEW TAX PLAN

Inclusion in Drainage
District Is Opposed
Strongly

CONDEMN SECRECY

Prospective Taxpayers
are Refused Informa-
tion of Programs

Extension of the boundary of the
Everglades drainage district is being
opposed by the South Florida Develop-
er, a twice-a-week newspaper published
at Stuart by E. A. Menninger who heretofore
has supported F. C. Elliot, the
chief drainage engineer. The paper
says the engineer's advocacy of bound-
ary extension relates to financing, not
to engineering, and advises him to
"go back to engineering" instead of
"invading the economic field where he
is absolutely lost." The Developer calls
attention to the circumstance, widely
commented on, that requests for de-
tailed statements of receipts and ex-
penditures of the Everglades district
have not been complied with and that
figures of construction work are with-
held. Concluding a two column article
the Developer says:

"The workings of the Everglades
drainage district are very mysterious.
There are two newspapers in South
Florida that make a definite effort to
find out from time to time just exactly
what progress is being made in reclama-
tion. Mr. Elliot is the only reliable
source of information. He has a curious
habit of saying nothing."

"We wrote Mr. Elliot last November,
after the flood, and as we now recall
the letter, told him that in our estimation,
that that had cost the Everglades
drainage district one million dollars.
The rains unquestionably washed more
sand into the canals than can be ex-
pected in many months. It tore away
the earthworks beside the east lock of
the St. Lucie canal. We suggested to
Mr. Elliot that this was hard luck but
that the people of South Florida were
long suffering and that if they knew the
truth, it would not seem very bad. We
asked him to write an authoritative
statement of the situation, thereby put-
ting a stop to idle speculation. Did he
do it? He did not. He put that letter
in his commodious waste basket."

"Later we wrote Mr. Elliot and asked
him for a copy of his latest 'progress
sheet.' This is a monthly statement,
in tabular form, of the progress
made by the dredges in the different
canals. Mr. Elliot used to send us this
statement from time to time, and we
always printed it and did not charge
the state anything, although it was good
advertising for the Everglades drain-
age district. Incidentally, this newspaper
is the only newspaper in South Florida
that has ever printed that progress
sheet regularly. We print it when it
is obtainable, but since the flood it has
not been obtainable. That is another
of the engineer's secrets."

"What we specifically object to is the
hush methods used by Mr. Elliot. He
is in public work and what he accom-
plishes is a matter of interest and im-
portance to the people in the affected
district. He has no right to keep his
progress or lack of progress under
cover. The people of the Everglades
drainage district are paying him and it
is up to him to tell them what he is
doing with their money, what canals
he is digging and what progress he is
making."

"If there were no other reason, we
think that this is important enough to
keep the coastal region out of Mr. El-
liot's district. If he has to keep quiet
about his operations, we want nothing
to do with them."

Taking up Mr. Elliot's first argu-
ment that the east coast is "benefiting"
by the drainage operations that are be-
ing carried on, the Developer says that
75 per cent of the enormous damage
done by flood waters to roads, bridges,
private homes, farms and other prop-
erty in the north end of Palm Beach
county last October was attributable
directly to the shortcomings of the Ev-
erglades drainage district, of which
Mr. Elliot is the spokesman, and it
adds:

"Did you know that the east end of
the St. Lucie canal, where the overflow
waters of hundreds of square miles of
territory are dumped, is 15 miles from
the ocean? To a mere layman, it
would seem that a canal having the
capacity, length and importance of the
St. Lucie canal, should run from the
source of water supply (Lake Okechobee)
to the nearest seaway (Atlantic
ocean). But it does not. Mr. Elliot
built that canal in such a way that it
dumps its flood burden into a river
that has low banks and which has a
smaller capacity than the canal itself
has. The St. Lucie river is a natural
body. It was not built by nature to
carry off a sudden flood water of 15-
000 feet per second from Mr. Elliot's
canal. What was the result? The
river overflowed and gave us more
damage in three days than we will re-
cover in benefits in three years."

In another paragraph the Stuart pa-
per says: "Before we are taxed for the
benefit of the I. I. Fund, we would like
to see an audit of that board's books.
We understand that no audit has ever
been made or, if made, that it has
never been published. As prospective
taxpayers, we have a right to that in-
formation."

Perfect Drainage Is Necessary for Successful Farming

Continued from Page Three

8. What is the difference between
drainage and drying?
There is a vast difference. Dried
soil is not necessarily drained soil. A
mixture of soil, salt or sugar in a pan
or bowl may be dried by evaporation.
When dry, the same mixture of salt,
sugar and said will remain in the ves-
sel. If the vessel be perforated by a
hole in the bottom, and water poured
into the vessel, the mixture will be
drained. The salt or sugar (alkali or
acid) will be drained off and the sand
or soil filled with water and air be-
comes a healthy medium for growing
crops. This is frequently demonstrated
by a plant in a pot. Close the drainage
aperture and the plant may be drowned
with a small quantity of water, saturat-
ed. Open the drainage aperture and
a constant stream of water may be ap-
plied and the plant will thrive.

9. Are well drained soils more sub-
ject to drought than improperly drain-
ed soils?
No. On the contrary, soils naturally
or artificially properly drained are less
apt to suffer from drought than im-
properly drained soil. Well-drained
soils, properly plowed and cultivated,
will store and hold sufficient water
particularly in humid climates, to at
all times contain sufficient water and
air to perfect crops. This applies par-
ticularly to soils well filled with humus,
Humus, vegetable matter, is the uni-
versal sponge or absorbent provided by
the creator to hold water in the soil
for the sustenance of plants, and ap-
plies particularly to the swamp and
overland lands of Florida generally.
Vast beds of muck, almost pure vege-
table matter, containing generally,
when in good agricultural condition,
from fifty to sixty per cent of water
and seldom in dry seasons less than
forty percent of water in the zone oc-
cupied by the plant roots, though the
surface may be dry. Such soil, when
properly drained, full three feet to the
ground surface, will retain sufficient
water to grow crops in the driest
twelve to eighteen inches deep, and
duly cultivated, will produce maximum
crops in the driest years. This has
been so frequently demonstrated in this
and other states in the south, particu-
larly Louisiana, where fifty, in some
places, more than fifty, inches of rain-
fall is not unusual; though protracted spring and summer
droughts sometimes occur, maximum
crops are made on thoroughly drained
muck or alluvial soils, and disastrous
failures on partially drained similar
soils, as to have fully convinced my-
self and many others that muck lands
cannot be drained too deep (drained,
not dried) when they are deeply plow-
ed and properly cultivated, and that
they will, without irrigating, produce
maximum crops, even in the driest sea-
sons.

These gentlemen, are a few of the
problems you will meet. They will
come in many different ways, with
many combinations of local conditions
—varying conditions—depth of soil,
class and condition of sub-soil, water
sheds and outlets, proper depth of
mains, laterals and sub-laterals drains,
size and frequency of field ditches, and
a thousand other problems from a
thousand different men each with dif-
ferent ideas, each with a number of
well-attested facts to prove his theory
and the correctness of his views.

I can only say that anything worth
doing should be done well and thor-
oughly, that no expedients or make-
shifts of any kind should be tolerated.
If you determine to drain a territory
that needs drainage, drain it perfectly!
as deeply as local conditions and a per-
manent water table will allow. If you
cannot drain it at least three feet be-
low the surface by natural means,
they employ artificial means to remove
the water to at least three feet below
the surface, as practiced in Louisiana,
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INSURANCE LARGER THAN ASSESSMENTS

TALLAHASSEE, March 19.—Assessment of property in Florida on a 50 per cent basis would place the grand total at more than \$1,000,000,000, according to calculations submitted to Governor John W. Martin in the second biennial report of Marion L. Dawson, state tax equalizer. All taxable property in the state of every kind and description was assessed at only \$445,103,181, in 1923, while, he points out, fire insurance risks written in the same year amounted to \$1,050,967,080.

Referring to the insurance figures which he quotes from the report of the insurance commissioner, Mr. Dawson says: "This was new business, to which should be added old live business amounting to approximately \$350,000,000, and the actual value of the insured property over and above the risks carried amounting to approximately \$350,000,000, and the value of the uninsured property amounting to at least \$200,000,000 making a grand total of \$1,050,967,080, or more than four times the value placed upon all the real and personal property in the state by the assessors."

"To keep faith with the taxpayers," he continues, "we will reduce this 50 per cent so as to place this property on the agreed taxable basis for the state of 50 per cent, which leaves \$975,483,500. This represents the taxable value of the property in Florida subject to fire insurance risk for 1923."

"Compare this with the total taxable value of all property in the state, including the above named property, together with all the city real estate on which the insured buildings are erected, all the agricultural lands, all the fire stock, all other tangible personal property, all railroad telegraph and Pullman property, which is carried on the 1923 tax books at \$445,103,181. This calculation will show that the taxable value, on basis of 50 per cent only, of the fire insurance property of the state, exceeds the actual assessed value of all the property in Florida by more than 100 per cent."

"It also shows that if the fire insurable property in Florida, were placed on the tax books on a 50 per cent basis only, the revenue derived therefrom would more than pay the present entire expense of running the state government on the present millage, and if the present millage were maintained there

would be no need to tax any of the remaining property in Florida one cent. "The difference in dollars and cents between 50 per cent of the value of the fire insured property in the state and the full taxed value of all the property in the state is \$530,380,319, and the present tax valuation, as I have said above, of the property of every nature and description whatsoever is only \$445,103,181."

"These are astounding facts, but they are based on evidence that challenges successful contradiction and should conclusively convince even the most thoughtless and the most skeptical that a thorough search should be made to locate this \$530,380,319 of taxable property that has so successfully concealed itself from everybody except the insurance companies; and, after it has been uncovered, it and all the other property in the state should be speedily, intelligently, comprehensively, honestly and fearlessly revalued and assessed on a fair basis to apply impartially to every county alike."

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